

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

Phillip Del Rosa Chairman Alturas Rancheria Post Office Box 340 Alturas, California 96101

RE: New Indian Environmental General Assistance Program Grant (GAP I)

Application Due:

Dear Chairman Del Rosa:

I am pleased to inform you that your proposal submitted to this office under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Indian Environmental General Assistance Program (GAP) has been tentatively approved for funding. Our office has set aside \$75,000 to support your Environmental General Assistance Program for one year. The GAP program does not require a nonfederal match.

Work plan submission, negotiation, and approval will be conducted electronically in GAP Online. The comments attached here for your reference are also available in GAP Online. Please do not incur any costs under this work plan until the official grant award document has been signed. Any costs incurred before the date of award will not be reimbursed. If we receive your complete application and revised workplan by the due date we will make every effort to award the grant by September 30, 2013. This funding will support workplan activities from October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014.

This letter does not constitute a grant award. In order to receive funding, the Alturas Rancheria will need to complete an Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424). The complete application and final work plan must be submitted in GAP online for EPA review by the due date indicated above. Applications can be submitted earlier and will be processed on a first come first served basis. A work plan must be submitted in GAP Online with attached comments incorporated. The work plan may not include any activities that have been or will be funded under any other agreements.

The EPA is establishing new electronic business practices to reduce its footprint. The implementation of an electronic approach will ensure a faster and less costly method for grantees when submitting applications to the Grants Management Office. Your application and final work plan may be submitted by using **one** of the following methods:

1. Electronic submission using Grants.gov
If you wish to apply for your assistance agreement electronically via Grants.gov, go to:
http://www.grants.gov and click on the "Get Registered" on the left side of the page. Note that the registration process may take 3-5 business days to complete.

To begin the application process, click on "Apply for Grants" tab on the left side of the page" then click on "Download a Grant Application Package". You may retrieve the application package and

instructions by entering the EPA-R9-001 Funding Opportunity Number in the space provided and then click on the GAP Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (CFDA), 66.926.

2. Region 9 Electronic Mail Box: <u>GrantsRegion9@epa.gov</u>
The application kit with instructions for completing all of the necessary forms may be downloaded at the following web site: http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/applying.html. Please include "Federal Funding Application" and the grant program in the subject line.

3. Paper Submission

An original and one copy of each complete application package and final work plan submitted to:

Grants Management Office (MTS-7) Management and Technical Services Division U.S. EPA, Region 9 75 Hawthorne St. San Francisco, CA 94105

In completing your application, enter the GAP Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (CFDA), required in box #11 on the SF-424A application form, which is 66.926.

Since there may have been changes to various EPA assistance regulations, please remember to obtain a copy of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 40, Parts 1-49. This CFR is updated every July 1 and includes the Chapter I, Subchapter B which are regulations applicable to your cooperative agreement. The CFR is available to purchase at your local U.S. Government Bookstore, by calling the U.S. Government Printing Office at (202) 512-1800, or through the Internet at the following address: http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/before.html

A Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number is required on all federal applications. If you do not already have one, your organization may obtain a DUNS number by either calling Dun & Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 <u>OR</u> accessing the internet: https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform. Your DUNS number must be included in the address block (#5) of your application (SF-424). There should be only one DUNS number for your Tribe.

I look forward to working with you and your staff under the General Assistance Program. Questions regarding the completion of the application forms should be referred to Martha Villarreal, Grants Management Specialist, at (415) 972- 3666. You can also contact your GAP Project Officer, Tim Wilhite, at (530) 841-4577 if you have questions regarding this letter, the work plan or the General Assistance Program.

Sincerely,

Laura M. Ebbert Manager Tribal Program Office

cc: Creig Marcus, Environmental Contractor Wayne Smith, Tribal Administrator